

# Recycling Market Development Zones

## A State/Local Partnership with California Businesses



## RMDZ Defined

- Marriage of economic development and recycling
- Supports State recycling mandates
  - Maintain 50% diversion from landfills
  - Every CA jurisdiction



#### RMDZ Program in A Nutshell

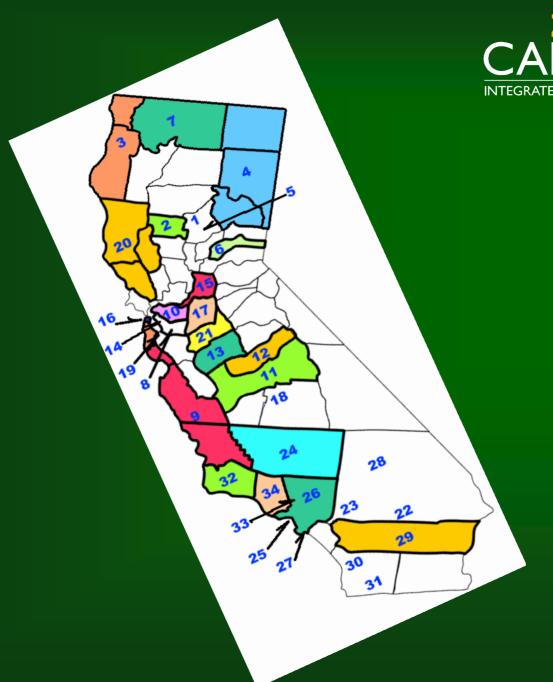
- Establishes recycling-based businesses, by combining state and local incentives
- Targets companies that divert waste from California landfills and prosper the local economy, primarily by either:
  - Processing recyclables to a ready state for manufacturing a product, or
  - 2. Manufacturing a recycled-content product



#### Key Program Features

- Financial Assistance
  - Below market rate loan, currently 5%
- Technical Assistance

Marketing Assistance





The 35 RMDZs



#### State RMDZ Program

Technical, Financial, and Marketing Assistance



#### **Business Development**



- Help finding feedstock
- Access CIWMB technical experts
- Coordinate permits, connections with other government agencies



#### Financial Assistance

- Direct loans to businesses
- Must be located in an RMDZ
- Must divert nonhazardous waste from CA Landfills





#### Marketing Assistance



- Recycle Store
- RPC Directory
- RPC Trade Show
- Economic Gardening



#### Do Plastics Companies Get Loans?

- 24 businesses
- \$27 million
- 35% of all RMDZ loan dollars





### Types of Projects Funded

- Waste prevention
- Reuse

Recycling

- Conversion technology
  - Gasification
  - Acid hydrolysis
  - Enzyme hydrolosis



#### Use of Funds

- Buy machinery and equipment
- Buy owner-occupied real property (\$1 million cap)
- Leasehold improvements
- Working capital



#### Key Terms, Rates, & Fees

Up to 75% of project cost, maximum \$2 million

 If secured by commercial real estate, term up to 15 years

10-year term

Current rate 5%



#### Announcing ...

\$25 million in loan funds available between July 2005 and June 2006





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